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AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 12-21

Amend claims 1, 2, 10, 11 and 22 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for therapeutically applying NO, the method comprising topically applying a [composition] <u>first gel</u> comprising a nitrite salt, <u>and</u> a biocompatible reductant and <u>a second gel comprising</u> an acid with a pKa between about 1 and

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